

**Abstract**

A method and system for enhancing a user environment having a product with a component operable to run at a low operating level and a high operating level in which the component is set to operate at the low operating level. 5 includes associating an upgrade key with the product. The upgrade key has permission instructions for the component to operate at the high operating level. The component is then enabled to operate at the high operating level in response to the upgrade key being associated with the product in order to upgrade the user environment.

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